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SUBJ: QUEVEDO-KUBISCH CONVERSATION: POSSIBLE LA TRIP BY
THE SECRETARY

1. IN JAN. 9 CONVERSATION COVERING VARIOUS ASPECTS US-
ECUADOR RELATIONS, AMB. QUEVEDO ASKED WHETHER SECRETARY
KISSINGER PLANS VISIT LATIN AMERICA SOON. ASST SECY
KUBISCH SAID THE SECRETARY WISHES TO VISIT LA AND HAD
CONSIDERED MAKING BRIEF TRIP TO SEVERAL SOUTH AMERICAN
COUNTRIES PRIOR TO MEXICO CITY FONMINS MEETING BUT THAT
THIS HAD NOT PROVED FEASIBLE. HE NOTED THAT THE SECRETARY
WOULD BE SEEING LA FONMINS IN MEXICO IN FEBRUARY AND AGAIN
AT OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN APRIL AND SAID IT WAS NOT CLEAR
WHETHER THERE WOULD BE OPPORTUNITY FOR LA VISIT IN BETWEEN
AND, IF SO, WHETHER THAT WOULD BE BEST TIME. KUBISCH
SAID SEVERAL LA COUNTRIES HAD INVITED THE SECRETARY TO
VISIT.

2. QUEVEDO STATED HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO BE PLEASED AND
HONORED TO HAVE THE SECRETARY VISIT ECUADOR AND THAT HE
WOULD REPORT THIS CONVERSATION TO FONMINISTRY.

3. KUBISCH SAID HE DID NOT THINK IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR
THE SECRETARY TO VISIT ECUADOR ON HIS FIRST TRIP, SINCE HE
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ALREADY HAD SEVERAL INVITATIONS. THE SECRETARY, HOWEVER,

WAS THINKING OF VARIOUS SHORT TRIPS, NOT A SINGLE LONG ONE SUCH AS SECRETARY ROGERS MADE. THE SECRETARY'S INTENTION IS TO CONDUCT A NEW AND CONTINUING DIALOGUE WITH OUR LATIN AMERICAN NEIGHBORS TO RESOLVE OLD PROBLEMS AND DEAL WITH NEW ONES AS THEY ARISE, AND HE MIGHT CONCEIVABLY MAKE SEVERAL TRIPS AS PART OF THAT PROCESS. KISSINGER

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